The Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. -22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously presented) A method for blocking a calcium channel in a patient in need of such blocking wherein said method comprises administering to said patient a calcium channel blocking compound wherein said compound has the following structure:

wherein:

X=a bond, $(CH_2)_n$, O, S, or $O(CH_2)_n$,

wherein n=1-6;

R₁=C₁₋₆ alkyl, optionally substituted with OH or NH₂;

R₂=F or COOR₅,

wherein R₅ is C₁₋₆ alkyl, optionally substituted with OH or NH₂;

R₃=CH₃ or (CH₂)_n--COOR₆,

wherein n=1-6 and R₆ is C₁₋₆ alkyl, optionally substituted with OH or NH₂;

 $R_4 = (CH_2)_n - COR_7R_8$, $-(CH_2)_n - R_{10}R_{11}$ or

$$--(CH_2)n - N R_{15}$$

R₇=O, NH, or NR₉,

R₈=optionally substituted anyl or heterocycle,

R₉=C₁₋₈ alkyl,

R₁₀=O, S, SO, SO₂, NH, or NR₁₂,

R₁₁=aryl or heterocyclyl optionally substituted with (CH₂)_nCOOR₁₄,

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